Mrs. Horn,

I am writing to request a waiver for the 30-P and 10-P campaign finance disclosures. My wife and I have tried in earnest to complete things correctly and get them to the board of ethics, but as I said before this was my first time in a campaign. My wife and I, ran the small campaign ourselves and we were completely inexperienced with the ins and outs of fillings. I sat down with my CPA, who was also inexperienced with campaign filling, to have her help us with the initial fillings, but those were returned because of errors. We attended to these errors with the gracious help of Mrs. Yohon. A fine of \$800.00 would put and enormous financial strain on our family. We are still catching up from unexpected COVID expenses and on top of that still trying to catch up from the 3 surgeries our 2 youngest children had to have all within 1.5 year span. My wife is a full time nurse and I also have a full time job. I ran for this position as I felt called to serve my community. My sincerest apologies for my lack of knowledge and understanding. In the future, we will seek the help of a CPA who is experienced with campaign fillings. Thank you for your consideration and help with this matter.

Collin Edwards...
Police Juror District 5A
Concordia Parish





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September 29, 2020

Mr. Collin Edwards 365 Persimmon Mill Rd. Ferriday, LA 71334

CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70200640000107319772

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE:

Late fee assessment for the October 12, 2019 Election

30-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 245 days late

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$400 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.

You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

- 1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.
- Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge 1 A 70821 or faves (225) 381, 7271 Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.
- You may appeal the assessment directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment. If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225)381-7271 a. ...

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not pay or dispute the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

You should be aware that unputed campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

Sincerely,

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Melissa Horn

# STATE OF LOUISIANA LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS acting in its capacity as the SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE

In Re:

Collin Edwards

October 12, 2019 Election

#### LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Collin Edwards, in his capacity as a candidate for Police Juror, District 5A in the October 12, 2019 election was required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to La. R. S. 18:1484.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.1 provides that it is a violation of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act to fail to timely file campaign finance reports.

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1495.4B(3), Collin Edwards was required to file a 30th Day Prior to Primary Report (30-P) by September 12, 2019. Collin Edwards filed the report on May 14, 2020 and was 245 days late.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Collin Edwards for this late filing. However, pursuant to Rule 1205C of the Board (LAC 52:1205C), the \$1,000 late fee assessed for the 30-P campaign finance disclosure report is reduced to \$400.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$400 is assessed against Collin Edwards for failure to timely file his campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 29th day of September 2020 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Angela Newsom, Director

Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division

Unsela Newson



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NO. 70200640000107319772

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE:

Late fee assessment for the October 12, 2019 Election

10-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 225 days late

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$400 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.

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WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1495.4B(4), Collin Edwards was required to file a 10th Day Prior to Primary Report (10-P) by October 2, 2019. Collin Edwards filed the report on May 14, 2020 and was 225 days late.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Collin Edwards for this late filing. However, pursuant to Rule 1205C of the Board (LAC 52:1205C), the \$ late fee assessed for the 10-P campaign finance disclosure report is reduced to \$400.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$400 is assessed against Collin Edwards for failure to timely file his campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 29th day of September 2020 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Angela Newsom, Director

Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division

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March 18, 2021

Mr. Collin Edwards 365 Persimmon Mill Rd. Ferriday, LA 71334

RE: Ethics Board Docket No.: 2021

Lissa Hon

Dear Mr. Edwards:

You recently requested a waiver of the late fee assessed against you for filing your campaign finance disclosure report late in connection with the October 12, 2019 election. In the request, you stated that the paying the fines would be an enormous financial strain on your family. If you would like the Board to consider your financially situation, you must provide documentation verifying your claim. Please complete the enclosed form and return it along with your most recent W-2 or tax return. The information you provide will only be reviewed by the Ethics Board.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at the above number.

Please submit the documentation to the above address by April 23, 2021.

Sincerely,

Melissa Horn